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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1114

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 11, 2008

BILL AMENDED: Feb 11, 2008

SUBJECT: Police Officer and Firefighter Residency.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Dembowski

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. C. Lawson

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 2nd House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) *Police and Fire Residency*- The bill establishes separate statutes that define general residency requirements for each of the following: (1) Members of city police and fire departments. (2) Members of town police and fire departments (excluding volunteer fire departments or members who are volunteer firefighters). (3) Members of township fire departments (excluding volunteer fire departments or members who are volunteer firefighters). The bill provides that a town legislative body may adopt an ordinance or a township legislative body may adopt a resolution requiring a member of a police or fire department to live within the county in which the town or township is located or within a certain distance from the township or town. The bill provides that such an ordinance or resolution may not apply to a member who does not comply with the requirements of the ordinance or resolution on the date the ordinance or resolution is adopted. The bill provides that a member appointed to a town metropolitan police department or town marshal system before July 1, 2008, may not be required to reside within: (1) the county in which the town is located; or (2) a county that is contiguous to the county in which the town is located; if the member resided within a noncontiguous county on July 1, 2008.

Use of Town Police and Fire Vehicles- The bill provides that members of town police and fire departments may not use vehicles owned or maintained by their department outside the county except during the performance of official duties or as provided for by department regulation.

Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Use of Town Police and Fire Vehicles-* There would be savings in both gas and other maintenance expenses to town police and fire departments if their vehicles were driven less as a result of this provision. Any savings would depend on town department regulations and the mileage currently driven by vehicles outside the parent county during off-duty hours.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Towns.

Information Sources:

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